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1. FONMIN CAGLAYANGIL RETURNED TO TURKEY LATE AUGUST 27. HE MET BRIEFLY WITH REPORTERS AT BOTH ANKARA AND ISTANBUL AIRPORTS. ACCORDING TO THE MORNING NEWS ON TURKISH RADIO (TRT) AUGUST 28 CAGLAYANGIL TOLD REPORTERS IN ISTANBUL THAT THE DATE AND PLACE FOR BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN TURKEY AND GREECE WOULD BE SET SOON.

2. DUE TO HIS LATE EVENING ARRIVAL TIME CAGLAYANGIL'S COMMENTS ARE NOT CARRIED IN MOST AUGUST 28 NEWSPAPERS. MILLIYET HAS A BRIEF STORY
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IN WHICH THE FOREIGN MINISTER CHARACTERIZES THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION ON THE AEGEAN DISPUTE AS A REBUFF TO THE GREEKS. TERCUMAN CARRIES A FRONT PAGE STORY WHICH QUOTES CAGLAYANGIL AS SAYING THAT BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES CANNOT BEGIN UNTIL GREECE WITHDRAWS HER UNILATERAL APPLICATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL COUR
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OF JUSTICE (ICJ). (COMMENT: ALTHOUGH THIS STATEMENT IS IN APPARENT CONFLICT WITH THE TRT REPORT, AN MFA OFFICIAL DEALING WITH GREEK AND CYRIOT AFFAIRS TOLD US HE WOULD NOT ASSIGN TOO MUCH IMPORTANCE TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S REPORTED LINKAGE OF TALKS AND THE GREEK APPLICATION TO THE ICJ. THE REASON, HE EXPLAINED, IS THAT THE GOG WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY WITHDRAW ITS APPLICATION OR HAVE IT REJECTED. IN EITHER EVENT BILATERAL TALKS--FOR WHICH " PRE-LIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS" HAVE BEEN MADE--CAN PROCEED.)

3. SEVERAL NEWSPAPERS AUGUST 28 CARRY AN ATHENS-DATELINED STORY SAYING THE BILATERAL TALKS WILL TAKE PLACE SEPTEMBER 14 WHEN BITSIOS AND CAGLAYANGIL RETURN TO NEW YORK FOR THE UNGA.
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